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There Is an imaginary safety
When you passively comply
With someone else's directions
In a patent-pending buy,
When you gobble up the pages
Attached to some copyrighted sign
And you simply pursue the lessons
In an average, straight-forward line.

But is there any excitement
When your brain is not turned on,
When you never move pass the obvious,
Never stretch yourself beyond
Those sanitized, white pages,
So self-assured and immaculately clean,
Which detail your planning and assessment
And everything also that goes on in between?

But is there any excitement
When you don't trust and take hold,
When you don't accept the responsibility
For meanings as they unfold,
When you don't embellish
And envision something now,
Allow your teaching to become exciting
And putting yourself there too.

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